TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1091 - HB 1784

March 22, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the national political party committee and the executive committee to file an affidavit under penalty of perjury. The affidavit must be filed within ten days of a candidate's filing their nominating petition and must verify the candidate's citizenship; that the candidate is a natural born citizen if such person is a presidential candidate; age; and that the candidate meets the residency requirements prescribed in the applicable constitution of their office. The affidavit shall include an original long form birth certificate; and in the case of a presidential candidate, shall include a sworn statement that the candidate does not hold dual or multiple citizenship; that the candidate's allegiance is solely to the United States; and a sworn statement that the candidate's place of residence has been in the United States for the past 14 years. For all other offices, the affidavit must include an original long form birth certificate or citizenship papers granted by immigration, if applicable, and documents to prove state residency and county residency. These requirements must be met prior to placing any candidate's name on the ballot.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Secretary of State will not require additional personnel or resources to verify that all requirements have been met and to place such candidate's name on the ballot. The procedural requirements of the bill will be handled in the normal course of business.
- The fiscal impact on state and local government will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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